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PRESIDENTIAL RECEPTIONS. The Cabinet meets on Tuesdays and Fridays at 12:30 p. m.

Benators and Representatives in Congres will be received by the President every day, except Mondays, from 10 until 12.

Persons not members of Congress having business with the President will be received from 12 until I on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Those who have no business, but call merely to pay their respects, will be received by the President in the East Room at 1 p. m. on Mondays. Wednesdays and Eaturdays.

VISITORS TO THE DEPARTMENTS. Secretaries Blaine, Proctor and Tracy have issued the following order for the reception of visitors:

Reception of Senators and Representatives in Congress, from 10 to 12 o'clock.

Reception of all persons not connected with the Departments, at 12 o'clock, except Tuesdays and Fridays, which are Cabinet days; and Thursdays in the Department of State, when the members of the Diplomatic Corps are exclusively received.

Persons will not be admitted to the building after 2 o'clock each day, unless by card. which will be sent by the captain of the watch to the chief clerk or to the head of the bureau for which the visit is intended. This rule will not apply to Senators, Representatives or heads of Executive Depart-

THE CIVIL-SERVICE REFORMERS. The civil-service reformers continue their efforts, and one cannot but admire their persistency and their undoubted earnestness. Still one grim fact stands out; they have lost rather than gaine I ground within the last four years.

No doubt many bad results come from a change of office-holders with every change in the political complexion of the dominant party, but the belief is gaining ground that the party in power should have the privilege of doing things in its own way with its own people; should be absolutely unhampered in the work of conducting the Government. If the work be not well done a verdict in accordance with the facts will be rendered at the next national election. There are a host of elerks and petty officials who should, perhaps, hold their places through good behavior, but when a place is of any importance it is but justice that the dominant party should control it absolutely, since the dominant party will be smoke. At the end of half an hour, during which three and should be smoke. held responsible for its management.

One source of weakness of the civil service reformers is that they are about the most unmagnetic group ever attempting an influence on the course of political events. They are dyspeptic. They take slight part in any political fray, when their own pet ism is not an issue, and they are, as a rule, of the opinion that the pace the country is making toward the demnition bowwows is something phenomenal. They are a collection of respectable pessimists. They are not popular, though held in much esteem.

The civil service reformers have thel use. They are like the death's head at the Greek banquet, not very much alive, but a constant reminder for good be havior. May indigestion never carry

BISHOP POTTER'S STRONG SERMON Bishop Potter of New York is a pretty big man. He was interviewed yesterday by a reporter for the New York World and questioned as to what he meant when he said in his recent

dignity for the Jeffersonian simplicity, which was, in truth, only another name for the Jacksonian vulgarity, and what have we got

The Bishop did not equivocate in his reply. He said, among other things: Each man reads the history of his country in his own way. He forms his estimate, his opinions of men, of the impress for good or evil that they have left on the social fabric. I ask nobedy to be responsible for my opinions, but to me it always has seemed that the sleek, smooth-tongued chicanery that de-veloped in Jefferson's time was quite as offensive as the blatant shiftboleths of the spoils hunters in Jackson's days. I rather lean to the side of frankness, and we must admit that Jackson's whole character en couraged it. This explanation is chiefly ren-dered necessary because of my use of the word "simplicity." It may have been vague.

He added in further conversation that political parties are necessary to keep society sweet. The danger of the present situation is that the people are too largely silent. He said of this period of rich men's advent into polifice that everybody has recognized the rise of the money power. Its growth not merely stifles the independence of the people, but the blind believers in money's complotent power assert that its liberal use condones every offense.

A man who has keen perceptions and good judgment, a man who is not afraid speak the truth, is Bishop Potter of New York

CHICAGO'S ADDITIONS.

Let justice be done Chicago, number of Chicago suburbs have lately voted in favor of annexation to the city and comment is made in newspapers other cities, intimating that Chicago is being extended out over a sparsely populated territory. As a maker of

WASHINGTON CRITIC | fact, this is not the case, Chicago has grown until the city limits, like those of the old city of London, are by no means the limits of the city, and the outlying portion of the town on all sides is made up of business and residence districts, under village government. In other words, Chicago consists of a "core," so to speak, under city government, while this "core" is encircled by a row of villages. It is impossible to tell without consulting authorities where the city ends and the village system begins, It is a bad arrangement, and this whole densely populated district should have been under one city government long ago. Even with the additions proposed Chicago will be about as compact a municipality as any in the country. There is no denying the great Lake city's enormous and continued growth,

Tus Washington militia made an admirable showing in New York and receive, deservedly, the admiring comment of the New York press. Assisted by no State, the Washington contingent paid their own ex-penses, and did credit to the District.

CRITICULAR

A man never opens a box of chewing tobacco with a corkscrew; he simply pulls the plug out with his fingers.

The hen may get the garden seel by a

"There's something rotten in the State of Denmark," roared a ham actor in a New Jersey town, and just then an Easter ever of the vintage of 1887 hurtled through th air and struck him. "I beg pardon," he continued, undismayed, "with the kind permission of the audience, I will change the scene from Denmark to New Jersey."

The Oklahoma Baseball Club has not yet been organized. R. E. Volver has put in a ball or two with a swiftness and accuracy which would indicate who was to pitcher.

CUBFEW WILL NOT RING TO-NIGHT . They have seen the President. And he's had his legal say, Which will stop proceedings and Colbert will not hang to-day.

A motion officials admire-promotion Small Boy: Pa, what does Misogynist

Par It means a woman-hater. S. B.: (still thirsty for knowledge): Then, pu, does Misterogynist mean a man-hater

HE AND SHE

"If I were king," he said, "And you were just a lowly beggar mald, With my strong hand I'd lift you to my And erown you queen, and in the great king's bride

Men would not know, Or would forget, the beggar maid."

"If I were queen," she said, "And you a careless, wandering minstrel, strayed To my fair court, I'd sit you on the throne;

And being there, the greatest king e'er known, I would kneel down

And serve you as your maid." \_\_[Outing. Smoking Stops Microbes.

(Gentlemen's Magazine.) The experiments of T. V. Tassinari will rejoice the hearts of many smokers. He cosented together by their wide mouths two glass funnels so as to form a cigar-holder. with a large chamber in the middle. In this chamber was suspended from a loop

piatinum a small plece of en. At one end of this eigar holder was a plug of cotton wool, acting as a smoke filter. A cigar was placed at the other end, lighted and smoked secundum artem, the mouth of the smoker being atounce) of tobacco was smoked, the cham ber was opened and the linen allowed to fall into a test tube containing fluid gelatine, in which were planted colonies of seven varieties of pathogenic microbia, in-cluding those of cholera, anthrax (chicken cholera) and pneumonia. In every instance there was a marked delay in the development of these colonies as compared with what occurred in similar test tubes charged with the same, but not exposed to tobacco smoke. The development of some was entirely prevented by tobacco smoke.

The Shah and the Hangman. (From the Pittsburg Dispatch.)

An Englishman, who now lives in Pitts-burg, says he sees by the papers that the Shah of Persia will visit England this summer. He remembers when this heathen ruler spent the summer once before in Great Britain. The British haven't any love for him, but for political reasons are forced to humor him. The last time the Shah was in England be occupied Buckingham Palace. When he left the place was in such a fifthy condition that no one could live in it for six months afterwards. day the Shah was taken to Newgate and shown the hangman and the apparatus for skilling condemned criminals. He ex-pressed a strong desire to see a man hanged, but was told they didn't have any body at the time to send across the River Styr. The Shah suggested that they take one of his retinue, and when they informed him that they didn't do business that way in England he got very angry.

THREE RED ROSES AN INCIDENT. In a shadowed church, Of the dear Lord's sacred day When summer gardens were a-flower, And summer winds at play Do you remember?

And gave me roses, three, So fair, so sweet to see ? Ah, little you know That within my heart. Were sorrowful thoughts that day Longings to see the dear ones, gone

You turned and smiled

Your beautiful thought. Your sweet red roses three Lifted the cloud from me.

The rich red roses, faded alas, Failed as roses must. The fragrant leaves with their perfume

Turned into daintiest dust But the smile lives on, And the sweet intent That brought heaven's light to me, Aud-I never can think of you apart From the rich red roses-three, The roses you gave to me

MARY A. DENISON. A Poetic Run. If you're going to Oklahoma, Be sure to take your gun, And when the other fellow shoots, R. V. N.

THE TOWN'S PHOTOGRAPH.

More than twenty years ago, though of much more than that, America was not much more than that. America was turned topsy turry by the advent of Lydia Thompson and her English blondes. In that day it was not considered such good form to go to see clothelessness depicted upon the stage, and Lydia and her company were haifed with that peculiar delight which characterizes afforded opportunities for doing those things openly, which purtanic ideas had restricted to the domain of quasi-secrecy, and everybody went of quasi-secrecy, and everybody went to see Lydia, and—liked the display with a strong like. Then Lydia be-came immensely popular and grew rich, as she was already beautiful. For sev-eral years she had the swing; then she returned to England and lost all her returned to England and lost all her money by running a theatre of her own. Three years ago she came back, and it was like a resurrection, for she had been forgotten by the young theatre goers, or at least remembered only as Greek plays are remembered. But Lydia is not old, nor is she grown ugly. She greeted This Carrio man with a gush and a girlishness the other evening that were captivating, and at close range she showed very few of the crow's feet of the passing years, and in response to a reference to some of the crow's feet of the passing years, and in response to a reference to some of the old players with her—Harry Bocket and Pauline Markham and Ada Beaumont—she sighed a little, then smiled, and pulling forward a bunch of her beautiful blonde hair from under her hat, she said: "But the ashes are not in this yet," nor does it seem that they will ever be, for she is as plump and youthful in appearance as she was in other days. She is much interested in her daughter, who was with Miss her daughter, who was with Miss Anderson, but who comes out next year Anderson, but who comes out next year under her own manager, playing such parts as Juliet and that class. Miss Thompson's weakness is a Scotch terrier about as big as a wad of sausage, named "Tykie," and Tykie is a terror as well as terrier. She barks at her mistress' visitors with a light soprano bark, and will not be quieted, and she has frequently sent her from hotel to hotel, in quest of one where canines are allowed some rights, for Miss Thompson goes to no hotel where Tykie cannot go. The average man would drop "Tykie" into the soup very early, but he had not better say so to Miss Thompson.

On the Presidential train to New On the Presidential train to New York one of the newspaper correspond-ents was assigned a section in the sleep-ing car occupied by the Justices of the Supreme Court. It was toward 3 o'clock a. m. when the correspondent was assigned to his car and berth with-out disturbing the sonorous slumbers of the judicial dignitaries, which he de-

scribed the next morning as follows:
"Chief Justice Fuller snored with mellifluous cadence which rose and fell like the notes of a church organ, and then wafted away into broken stanzas through his mighty mustache."
"Justice Blatchford's snore was a sub

dued but steady flow of judicial euphony."
"Ex-Justice Strong's snore was stately

and dignified, and continued on an even course, with no dissenting notes." "Justice Field's snore was a grand old melody, with a rising inflection at times like the waves of the Pacific rolling through the Golden Gate."

If there is any hotel man in town who doesn't want to be licked by an irate guest, that man is Stockham, one of the gentlemanly and urbane clerks at the Ebbitt, but he came very near getting it Wednesday evening, shortly after 9 o'clock. At 9 a citizen "with a Centennial jag on" called to see a guest and asked for a card. Stockham gave it to him and after some effort he gave it to him and after some effort he succeeded in writing "Jas Bell" on it. Stockham marked it "9 p. m." and sent it up. In a few minutes the guest came down in the elevator and a fit of anger. "By thunder," he said to the clerk, "what do you mean by send-ing this gas bill for \$9 up to me? I haven't been burning any gas to speak of and you've got no right to stick me in any such style." For a minute Stockham was frightened, then he saw it all, and explaining that it wasn't "gas bill" but "Jas Bell," he pointed James out in the corner and the guest subsided and apologized.

A black-and-tan dog, slightly lame, trotting at the heels of a handsome sorrel horse hitched to a light buggy, has become a familiar sight in the has become a familiar sight in the suburbs of Washington. It is an unmistakable indication that Officer Slack is around. The horse, which hears the distinguished name of Prince Albert, is distinguished name of Prince Albert, is one of the pet features of Mr. Slack's worldly effects and no one else ever drives him. "Prince" has done excellent service in behalf of the Police Department, and although a trifle whim sical at times, he settles down to the hardest kind of work when there is business on hand. The dog is an in-senerable commander to the here and separable companion to the horse, and although lame in one leg travels with him wherever he goes.

"There are lots of people who are taking good care of a piece of rope under the belief that it helped to hang under the belief that it helped to hang Guiteau," remarked Deputy Graham of the District jall, "when, in reality, there is no more interest attached to it than there is in an ordinary piece of clothes line. I can tell a piece of the Guiteau rope as soon as I lay my eyes on it. There was a druggist in this city who paid \$5 for a little bit of hempen twist. He had the ends fastened with pieces of silver and out it in his show-case with a He had the ends fastened with pieces of silver and put it in his show case with a big label where everybody could see it. He was telling me about it one day, and I showed him, to his great disgust, that the rope had in all probability never been anywhere in the neighborhood of the Guiteau execution. You see, in running a rope through the hole in the scaffold beam it got hot and burnt the wood a little bit. When the Guiteau wood a little bit. When the Guiteau rope was run through, in making ready for the hanging, the charred wood left a black streak all along one side of it. If that black streak is wanting, you can be pretty sure that it is not a piece of the rope that hung Guiteau.

Apropos of the racing at Ivy City, an old operator was talking of a cleve trick which was played on the pool rooms about a year ago. Some tele-graphers had cut the wires which ran from the race course to the pool rooms, and by putting in a third set of instru-ments could receive the results and send them into the pool-rooms as much later than the actual time of that the race was run as they chose. When the results came to them one of the number would go around to the pool-rooms, make their bets and then send the message along. "It looked as if the pool-rooms were

at the mercy of these people, "remarked the operator. "There was no redress at the hands of the law." But the remedy is very simple. All the pool-rooms now use the duplex or quadru-plex systems, by which messages are plex systems, by which messages are sent over the wires both ways. If there is anything wrong with the wire it is at once discovered by the people who are sending the racing results because of the break in the message being sent from the other end of the line."

A ringtailed raccoon, kept by a Lansing, Mich., man as a pet, broke loose the other dight and ate up a wedding cake, sampled the rest of the wedding feast and made the bride so mad that she almost postponed the wedding.

MATTER WORTH READING

An incident a bit comical happened opposite the Ardmore Hotel, on Nicol-let avenue, this morning. A gentleman came hurriedly around the corner from came hurriedly around the corner from Ninth street, when a gust of wind struck Ninth street, when a gust of wind struck the back of his neck and savagely lifted the new spring derby from his head. The hat went bobbing across the street at a lively gait, with the owner as close after it as he could get. A young woman with rosy cheeks and carrying a lunch basket in her right hand was an observer of the hat incident, and she smiled tantalizingly at the efforts of its owner. It pleased her so much that she turned her head to watch his ungraceful antics just as she reached the crossing. owner. It pleased her so much that she turned her head to watch his ungraceful antics just as she reached the crossing. It was a great mistake on her part. She made a misstep and fell forward almost on her face. Her grip on her lunch basket was loosened, and away it went into the street. Some of the contents rolled out, and a big gust of wind took unwarranted liberties with her skirts. The man picked up his hat just in time to catch a glimpse of the little affair on the corner. He hastened to the young woman's side and helped her to arise. Gallantly he picked up her lunch basket and other trinkets.

"Are you hurt?" he asked, as he returned the young lady's property.

"Not a bit," came the reply, "but I am ashamed, for I laughed heartily at your discomfiture. However, I was well paid for it. I thank you ever so much for your assistance."

nuch for your assistance."
Then they parted.—[Minneapolis

John Chinaman as a Linguist. John Chinaman as a Linguist.

Our Chinese population are said to be making more rapid progress in their knowledge of English than a few years ago, but though the Chinese have excellent capacity for languages, their attainments in our tongue are hardly equal to their opportunities. The reason seems to be John does not expect to live here permanently, and he cares for English only so far as it aids him in his quest of the mighty dollar. When John settles in some of the Pacific islands he expects to be a permanent resident, as a settles in some of the Pacific Islands he expects to be a permanent resident, as a rule, and he assiduously applies himself to the task of mastering the dominant tongue. In all the Spanish colonies, for instance, John talks Spanish even with his own people. On his arrival he sets about learning Spanish with all the enthusiasm of a linguist, and often he gets a deep and thorough Insight into the language. John would certainly improve his chances in this country if he would take more kindly to the study of the vernacular.—[New York Sun.

An Eccentric Hen.

An Eccentric Hen. Judge C. G. Garrison of Merchant ville, N. J., is the owner of a remark able hen, whose puculiarity consists in the fact that from the time she began to lay her first egg she selected the little angle of the hall behind the Front door of the house as the place of her choice As regularly as the family seated them selves at the breakfast table she would fly up to the window-sill of the dining room, repeat the "gentle tapping" of Poe's raven, and when the window was raised betake herself with a cluck to her favorite nest. When the egg was laid she would cackle until she was fairly out of the house. She then invariably ran as hard as her legs would carry her to the barnyard and awaken the echoes with her triumphant notes,

A Bear in a Barrel. Some maine lumbermen, who were annoved by a bear stealing their molasses out of the camp store-room, put up a job on Bruin. They got an empty molasses keg, filled the sides of it full of sharp pointed nalls, inclined toward the bottom, poured a little molasses into it and set the whole arrangement out in the bushes, near the pigpen. The novel trap worked nicely. The next morning it was found some distance from the camp. The bear's head was inside. He had stuck it in and couldn't draw it out. A rifle ball ended his misery and his thieving.

A Toothless Wolf. A Toothless Wolf.

At Reshford, Minn., the harvest of the wolf crop has just commenced. It is reported that a Norwegian living on a forty-acre bluff farm on the Badgers, in Houston County, took in forty-four wolf scalps, for which the county of Houston paid \$308. On Saturday Little Gunderson took some young wolves to Preston and obtained \$49. It is said that at Pilot Mound the boys have an old she wolf that have bred one or two litters a year till she is so old that her claws are nothing but stubs and she has not a tooth in her head. The boys feed her, and she is so tame that she

goes for her food.

A Homesick Dog. A colored woman at Birmingham,
Als., removed to Memphis last fall. She
determined to leave her dog behind.
Just as she was starting the faithful
animal came bounding into the car
where she sat. When she returned to
Birmingham she did not feel able to incur the expense of dog fare again and so left the animal in Memphis. Last month the dog, footsore and half starved, came bounding into his old home. He had traveled 251 miles to reioin his old mistress Baseball and Snakes

A game of baseball at Long Branch was suddenly terminated on Thursday by the centre fielder, in fielding a ball, by the centre fielder, in fielding a ball, falling headforemost into a nest of thirty-two garter snakes. He picked himself up, but again sank to the ground almost prestrated by fright, and it was fully half an hour before he recovered sufficiently to walk. His companions, with their bats, succeeded in killing twenty-six of the ugly reptiles, some of which measured three feet in length.

Almost Five Feet of Beard.

Mr. Samuel Fries, reskling near Steinsville, Lehigh County, Pa, is happy in the possession of a beard measuring four feet nine inches in length—the same extending considerably below his knees. He is a man 71 years of age, well built, weighing 235 pounds, and has been cultivating his whisker crop for twenty-eight years straight along with a success that probably stands unsurpassed. ably stands unsurpass Where Optum Comes From.

Where Optum Comes From.

Optum is got by cutting the capsule of the poppy flower with a notched iron instrument at sunrise, and by the next morning a drop or two of fuice has ozed out. This is scraped off and saved by the grower, and after he has a vessel full of it it is strained and dried. It takes a great many popples to make a pound of optum, and it goes through a number of processes before it is ready for the market. In a liquid state it looks like a dark strawherry iam. looks like a dark strawberry jam.

Newfoundland Dogs Tempers. A leading New York dog fancier says the impression that the Newfoundland dog is a good-natured one is a mistake. The thoroughbred Newfoundland is not to be trusted. He has an ugly temper, and if chained up for even part of a day is apt to become dangerous. The Scotch collie is not only faithful and intelligent, but very

The Smasher's Fate. First baggage smasher—Say, Jake, I'm thinkin' it 'ud be money in our pockets if we'd begin handlin trunks ore kearful.
Jake-Why wud it?

'Because the more we smash 'em the bigger and stronger and heavier they make 'em. I've struck three this mornin' made out o' reg lar boller iron. Me back's 'most broke."-[New York Weekly. SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Porter Heep is very ill with per conitis at her home on Staten Island. Mrs. Frank B. Conger, who has bee very ill for some days, is reported much

Mrs. Randolph Tucker has returned the city after an extended tour in Virginia.

The engagement of Mr. James A. Rutherford and Miss Lula Johnson is Mr. and Mrs. George Bloomer leave during the present week for their coun-try home in Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Dodge will, in a

few days, remove to their new home on Twenty-eighth street. Mrs. Dr. Witmer gives a luncheon of

twelve covers to day at the residence of her mother on P street. Mr. and Mrs. Louis O'Shaugnessey of Cincinnati, on their bridal tour, are at the Arlington until Saturday.

Ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland were entertained at dinner in New York last evening by ex-Mayor Grace. Miss Margaret Cabell Smith of Richmond is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. George C. Thomas, at 3108 P street.

Mrs. Debrenville Keim of Philadel-

phia is the guest of Mrs. Blake and her daughters at their residence on N street. Mr. Wm. Muelheisen returned to the city yesterday after a visit of three months in South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. Dr. William Hood, U. S. N., who has

been spending several days in Wash-ington, left to-day for his station at the Naval Asylum in Philadelphia. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott F. Shepard Mr. and Mrs. Ellott F. Shepard gave a dinner party last evening in honor of Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Mc-Kee. The guests assembled at 7 o'clock. The table was covered with orchids and Puritan roses, and at each plate was a big cluster of American Beauty roses.

NOT UNLIKE OTHER MEN.

Washington had false teeth made of ivory—the upper plate carved out of one solid chunk; the lower had the teeth riveted on. The upper plate swelled and split from moisture and gave him great pain. He wore a No. 8 boot.

He frequently spelled God with He preferred to drink beer with his neals, and usually had a silver pint cup

meals, and usually had a silver pint cup
of that beverage at his plate.
The last time he was weighed, in the
summer of 1799, he tipped the scale at
2094. His usual weight was 220.
He suffered all his life with weak
lungs, having had a severe pulmonary
affection in early life.
He was quite fond of checkers and
chess, and played a great deal with
George Mason, his neighbor.
His favorite breakfast was corn-meal
cakes and a bowl of milk.

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He wore all sorts of colors—sometimes purple satin, again black velvet, brown, blue, cream, pearl and green cloths. He had several bright scarlet waist-coats that he seemed to be foud of. His servants were a white livery with scarlet facings.
He owned six lots in Washington and

built a house on two of them. It is now in mid air, two stories having been built under it and two over it. Four lots were on the Anacostia River, where he thought the business part of the Capital would be. They are worthless low. He was the first millionaire in the

United States.

He owned land in five States and in the Northwest Territory-49,392 ac all told.

Twice while President his life was in peril: In 1789 a carbuncle on his thigh prevented his walking or sitting and for several days his life was despaired of. He fled from Philadelphia when the vellow fever took off over 4 000

people.

His bed time was uniformly 9 o'clock. Mrs. Washington used to say at her re-ceptions when it came 9 o'clock: "The General always goes to bed at 9, and I usually precede him."

He accepted no salary as President.

Congress simply paid his expenses. His house rent was \$3,000 a year.

He wrote poetry at the age of 15—love-sick poetry at that.

George III. offered him a peerage.
While Washington was childless, so far as the world and history absolutely knew, he was reputed to be the father of General Thomas Posey, who was one of his favorite officers. General Posey lies harded at Shavenestee III.

of his favorite officers. General Posey lies buried at Shawneetown, Ill.

He was the possessor of a violin, and it is said he could play a few simple tunes. He did not sing.

He was not a good sportsman nor much of a fisherman. He rode after his pack of hounds a great deal, but purely for exercise. He seldom got the fox.

This railroad from Mollendo to Arequipa is remarkable for running nearer the stars than almost any other railway, for where it passes over the western range of the Andes into the great basin of the southern continent the track is 14,765 feet above the sea, and the only higher point at which a wheel was ever turned by steam is where another Peruvian railway tunnels the Andes. No other long road can where another Peruvian railway tunnels the Andes. No other long road can show an equal amount of excavation nor such massive embankments, and the engineering difficulties overcome in

AT THE BALL. 1780 Lightly lingering on the landing, Grandmamma is meekly standing While the President is handing Her sainde.

Bending courtly to her beauty. Wond'ring, as he makes his duty, If this fair, forbidden fruit he Might have had.

For upon that hand of satin For upon that hand of satin Colls another's gage—and that in His idea, robs the matin Of its grace; And as Grandpapa advances, Shattered fail his leaping fancies, And he turns his tellisle glances From her face.

And they calmly talk together Of the very pleasant weather— Speculating as to whether It will rain. And the President bows lowly And goes down the staircase slowly, And the key upon his soul he Turns again.

They are waiting on the landing-Marjoric is restless standing. As her Kill von Kull is handing Her an lee And her eyes are furtive straying.
And the random things she's saying
Are most palpably betraying
Artifice.

Comes a cavalier ascending,
And, as low his head he's bending,
Reddest rose with white is blending—
(Ab, the test.)
And, while Kill a wild goose chases Dangerously close their faces Fall, as rise and fall the laces

Cost fini! her careful schooling
Warns her this is maddest fooling—
She obeys the sapient ruling
Of manna;
Kill is coming back to get her—
For she wears his golden factor.
Has it grown to worse or better,
Orandpapar
—[N. Y. Evening Sun. A UGUST BURGDORP, PURNISHING UNDERTAKER, 316 Penn, ave. n. w., batween 3d and 456 ste Everything first class.

WINGED SCAVENGERS

The city of Omaha has in its service a force of thousands of seavengers who draw no pay, report to no official, but are protected by law from molestation. They are the crows who flock in town as regularly as cold weather comes, stay during the winter and vanish in the

spring.
Each evening as the shadows fall Each evening as the shadows fall legions of crows wing their way in a seemingly endless flight to the willow copses and clumps of small cottonwood trees on the banks of the Missouri, where

trees on the banks of the Missouri, where they roost for the night.

A favorite haunt is at the bend of the river, between Cut-Off and Florence Lakes, where the banks shelter the northwest wind, says the Omaha World. The nir is thick with sable wings and resonant with hoarse caws there after sunset each night, as the scavengers settle down among the branches to dream of back-area lunches and carrion sureads.

rion spreads.

With the break of day the sable flock bestirs itself. Each member hops about to warm its chilled legs, stretches its shiny wings and heads back toward the

shiny wings and heads back toward the city.

The vast flock breaks into small groups and they alight here and there on the tree-tops and survey the back yards and alieys until they can pick out foraging places. Then they descend and in short order the remains of the breakfasts, the scraps of meat from markets and the rats killed by the household dogs and cats are gobbled up.

Some crows do scavenger work about Some crows do scavenger work about the residences. Others alight cautiously in the alleys and others are attracted to the stock-yards and packing-houses at South Omaha. They fight shy of the business blocks.

The crow who inhabits the Missouri is of the same breed with the crow who malls not the farmer's core in Vermont.

pulls up the farmer's corn in Vermont. In the East he is a nuisance. The granger shoots him on sight, tries to frighten him with scarecrows and dips the corn into coal tar before he plants

the corn into coal tar before he plants it, in the hope that it will spoil the pretty raven's appetite.

Two healthy New England crows can devastate a twenty-acre corn field if unmolested. But the crow who migrates to the West becomes a respected resident, and nobody asks "What was your name back East?" or asks how he stood with the farmers. He mates with a chipper Dinah crow in a clump of willows on the bottoms, and in due willows on the bottoms, and in due time they hatch out a nest of hungry

The father rustles for grasshoppers bugs and toads, while the youngsters are growing their pin feathers. As soon as they can fly their mother leads soon as they can by their mother leads them away from the contaminating in-fluences of the city, into the pure, green country, and the whole family turnes loose upon the vermin and in-

None of them ever trouble the corn None of them ever trouble the corn-fields, and none of the farmers ever trouble them. During the fall they pick up the loose grain, and now and then play free lunch flend on the corn-

fields.

In the West much of the corn is left standing in the fields during the winter, while in the East it is stored in the barn before snow falls. Perhaps this apparent generosity on the part of the farmer in Nebraska has something to do with the improved conduct of the

bird.

However this may be, the bird in the Missouri Valley does not rely upon the corn-field, summer or winter, for sub-sistence. Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri crows rendezvous largely at Peru, in this State.

It is a famous roost for them and ha attracted the attention of naturalists. Professor Taylor of the Normal School at Peru has made a close study of the habits of these crows and is writing a series of papers to be published in an Eastern magazine on that subject. Meantime the sable crow continues to spend his summers in the country his winters in the city, following fashion which his wealthiest bi patrons set for themselves.-[Exchange

But He Knew His Gait. He had come here a stranger and got in with the boys. He looked innocent and there was buttermilk in his breath and pumpkin-pie in his talk. He seemed to have plenty of money, and a com-pound was prepared for him to swalpound was prepared for him to swal-low. The other day he was invited to take a drive. It was so arranged after a little that he could not fail to notice certain things, and he had to feel obliged

"My dear boy, you look troubled."
"Yes, I am in deep trouble."
"What is it? I am your friend, and if I can do anything you have only to

'I-I hate to mention it. "Pshaw! There should be no hesitation between friends." "I—I've got a note of \$400 to meet at the bank, and—and I haven't got the

"Is that all? Why, my dear fellow I insist that you accept my check for the amount, and you can repay at your latest convenience."

latest convenience."

After hanging off awhile the offer was accepted. Upon returning to the hotel three or four chums were called in, three or four bottles of wine opened, and everybody turned out to be yard wide and all wool. When the convention adjourned the bank was visited and the check handed in. The cashier gave it one contemptions glance and gave it one contemptuous glance ar shoved it back with the brief eulogy: "No funds here!"—[Detroit Pr

In Case of Fire. The Commissioners have approved recommendations for new fire plugs at Eleventh and F streets northwest, at the alley on north side of S street between Sixth and Seventh streets northwest, and at the alley on south side of H street between sixth and Seventh streets northwest. Jurors Discharged.

Chief Justice Bingham to-day thanked the jury in his court for their services and discharged them for the term. Dyspersia, indigestion, sick headache and that tired feeling are cured by Hood's Farsaparilla, which tones the stomach, promotes healthy digestion, creates an appetite, cures sick headache and builds up the whole system. Sold by all druggists. 100 Doses One Dollar.

DIED. ORIFFIN.—On Wednesday, at 8 o'clock pm. after a short illness, Joshua F. Griffin, in his a year.
Fineral from his late residence, 1012 Sixti street northwest, Sunday, at 4 o'clock p. m Friends invited. friends invited.
McHUGH.—On Thursday, May 2, 1888, Frank
McHugh, son of Mary and the late Dennis
dcHugh.
Funeral Saturday morning, at 8:30 o'clock,
rom his late residence, 281 E street southcest. Hequiem mass at 84, Dominio's
Turch. Relatives and friends respectfully
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invited.

REILLY,—Suddenly, on Tuesday, April 20, 1886, at 9:30 p. m., John F. Reilly, sr., in the esth year of his age, the beloved husband of M. A. Reilly.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend inneral from his late residence, 812 F street southwest, Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. Solemn requiem mass at St. Rominle's chapsi at 10:30.

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THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

[Communications on any matter of current interest will be cheerfully printed in The Chirto under this head. Letters should in all cases be as brief as possible.] Washington, May 3.—Editor Critic:
A friendly hint. Don't say too much
about that centennial bill of fare. No
Four Hundred about it. Alast and slacka-day! McAllister. Only one soup, one
fish, salmon, and the woods full of
brook trour. Mushrooms and beans in

ALPHONSE DAUDET.

Alphonse Daudet resembles Lord Tennyson. He is about 48 years of age and handsome. His eyes are dark, brilliant, poetic, tender, his features beautifully regular and his hair of the true Titan coloring, in harmonious contrast to his olive skin and dark, carefully trimmed beard. His wife was Mile Julie Altard, a clever, fascinating woman, who overcame Daudet's singular and pronounced aversion to matrimony. Madame Daudet writes some clever prose and much excellent verse, and revises all her husband's MSS. making frequent suggestions, which are rarely ignored by the brilliant French author. They have two sons and a little daughter. The eldest boy is studying medicine, and is the pride sons and a little daughter. The eldest boy is studying medicine, and is the pride of his father's heart. Daudet has always personally superintended this boy's studies, and awaits the success of this embryo physician with unfailing confidence in his ability. The daughter is not yet 3, and the other son a lad of 12. Daudet regards Numa Roumestan as his best work. It is a powerful romance, full of Southern warmth and color, and was not only a great success as a book, but, dramatized, became a most popular play. Although best known through his novels Daudet is also a poet, and the poetic vein which runs through his prose work found an earlier expression in verse. He is the author of "La Demiere Idole," "L'Œillet Blanc," "La Double Conversion," and many other poems which are gems of song, and which first won him recognition in the hypercritical literary world of Paris.—[Current Literature,

How Age is Reconed in Ohio. A. D. Marsh was judge at the demo-eratic primary Mouday. A young smooth-faced fellow offered his vote, and Marsh asked him if he was old enough to vote. "Yes," says the fel-low, "I am 21," "How do you know?"

low, "I am 21." How do you kin it.
"Well, I have had the seven-year itch
"Well, I have had the response. He three times," was the response. voted.—[Celina (O.) Observer. Polyglet Deadwood. Mayor Star enumerates the number of languages spoken on Main street, Deadwood, Colorado, as follows: English, German, French, Italian, Chinese, Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish, Scandinavian, Russian, Irish, Spanish, Hebrew, Selavonian—fourteen, with possibly a few overlooked.

sibly a few overlooked. WASHINGTON SAFE DEPOSIT Co., 916 Pa ave., rents safes as low as \$5 per year.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the subscription books of the George town and Tenalittown Railroad Company will be open for subscription on SATUR DAY, May 4, 1880, and for ten days next en suing thereafter, at the office of the Nationa Metropolitan Bank. GEO. H. B. WHITE.

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Department with such quantities of Wood
and Coal as may be required in the fiscal
year ending June 50, 1889. Proposals will be
received for the whole or any part of the fuel
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the parties to whom the contract (or contracts) may be awarded, in such quantities
and at such times as the convonience of the
Department may require. The Government
reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
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building is not included in this advertisement. Specifications, general instructions to bi ders and blank forms of proposals will furnished to established dealers on applic-tion to this office. Proposals should be it closed in scaled envelopes, indersed on thousand "Proposals for Fuel," and addresse to the undersigned. M. R. THORP, Chief Supply Division.

The undersigned. M. R. THORP, Chief, Supply Division.

PROPOSALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF WASTE PAPER.—War Department, Supply Division, May 1, 1889.—Scaled Proposals, in duplicate, will be received at this office until TWELVE OCLOCK, NOON, TUESDAY, JUNE II, 1889, for the purchase of the Waste Paper of this Department, its offices and Bureaus located in the State, War and Navy Department Building, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889. This paper will be removed by the contractor promptly when notified. The Department reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive defects. Proposals must be made on the Department forms, marked. "Proposals for Waste Paper." M. R. THORP, Chief, Supply Division.

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DEPAIRTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Washington, D.C., May 1, 1889.—Sealed proposals will be received at this Department until it o'clock m. MONDAY, MAY 90, 1889, for furnishing supplies consisting mainly of meats, provisions, groceries, dry goods, shoes, drugs, paints, hardware, fuel, ice, lumber, &c., for the uss of the Government Hospital for the Insane, near Washington, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1800. Blank forms of proposals, schedule of thems, specifications and instructions to bidders will be furnished on application to this Department.

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DROPOSALS FOR MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES.—WAR DEPARTMENT, April 2, 1889. Scaled proposals in duplicate; will be received at this office until 1 o'clock p. m. Wednesday, May 22, 1889, for furnishing Miscellaneous Supplies, consisting of Brooms, Brushes, Soaps, Towels, etc., etc., for the War Department and its bureans in Washington, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1800. Blank forms of proposals, showing the items and estimated quantifities required, together with instructions to bidders, will be furnished on application to this office. Blds will be considered on each item separately. Proposals must be addressed to the understand, indorsed on the oatside of the envelope, "Proposals for Miscellaneous Supplies." M. R. THORP, Chief Supply Division. DROPOSALS FOR STATIONERY.

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Scaled proposals, in duplicate, will be received at this office until 1 o'clock p. m., WEDNESIAY, May 18, 1889, for furnishing Stationery for the War Department and its bureaus in Washington during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1890.
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